







**THE HICKMAN COURIER.**

HICKMAN, KY.,

FRIDAY, : : SEPTEMBER 16, 1887.

DEMOCRATIC gain in New England during the past few years has been from Mass., New Hampshire and Rhode Island must all be classed as doubtful States for 1888.

Four hundred Mormons landed at Castle Garden in one day last week. These people come here prepared to vindicate their laws of the country, and yet there is no attempt made to stop them.

People have ideas that there is a Southern Rail road in a line of open roads, trains at the North. This is a mistake. There are a few roads, like those between New York, Philadelphia and Boston, on which trains run, but there is no exchange, but there are very few which make 10 per cent, better than that at the South.

**GOV. WASHINGTON BAGLITT** of California has issued a formal statement of his affection of the kids he was a native of Georgia, sixty-three years of age, and was elected Governor of California. He is a Democrat. He will be succeeded by Lieutenant Governor R. W. Waterman, who is a Republican.

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\$10,000,000 A MONTH.

About \$70,000,000 worth of property has been annihilated in the United States during the past year, and that is not the whole story. It is not surprising that our manufacturers strike but by fire alone. This country is so much the poorer, and it is a very bad country to live in.

The remaining four months will swell the total draft upon the accumulations of the past year to at least \$100,000,000.

The public mind needs to be thoroughly aroused to the loss of wealth which is suffered, and a few simple words in the forthcoming message to Congress will go far in awakening the country to the fact that it should be properly manifested. A great proportion of the fire losses are caused by setting fire for the majority of fires occur either from carelessness or crime and that adequate attention is devoted to this.

Notwithstanding there are no politics in it, there are few questions more important than this country as this growing destruction of property by fire, and while officials high in power may be less interested in it than others, it carries with it a national reputation. We have in the vicinity of Hickman, about twenty-five miles, almost the year round. They manufacture round almost all varieties of wood, and make shipments to the North and Northwest both by rail and water. They have an excellent opening in Hickman, for a furniture factory, in fact for any kind of a factory in which wood is a material.

They have a substantial business town with fine and cultivated citizens. It has seven two-story public schools, two academies, one high school, one Adoring School, Room - Miss Jenny Thomas.

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**Northwestern Democrats.**

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If the Republicans, in their State convention, had not declared against the proposed tariff, the Democrats would have carried the State. Now, it seems to me that the Republicans of the country are growing rapidly, a party of protection, and that they are likely to declare for protection in their national platform next year, when they do. The McEnery men are satisfied. The logic of the situation appears to be that Louisiana newspaper men are satisfied with their paper, and it would be even better to have none.

The Missouri Conference of the M. E. Church, South, has not endorsed the local option, but also declared in favor of using that policy to establish prohibition. The Northwest is against the protection idea; the farmers don't see what they gain by it, and therefore the Democratic party is steadily gaining.

**HICKMAN AND HER MANUFACTURERS.**

The Know-Nothing party—America for America—will again nominate the Presidential candidate of 1888 by the party, come from the South, and the South off it, will live. During the celebration of the Constitutional Centennial in the city of Hickman, a large crowd of 300 or 350 States will be present. A call for this convention has already been drafted by a body known as the People's Party, composed of some 20 or 30 men. Although this committee have been doing very well, it has not been for many years in active correspondence with more or less prominent persons throughout the country, and have had little success. They claim among their members over 150,000 persons, members of societies, mostly American ideas, some of which are a survival of some of the Know-Nothing organizations of 1854.

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**HICKMAN COUNTY EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.**

Hickman the county seat of Hickman county, situated at the terminus of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railroad, on the "Father of Waters," the broad Mississippi, where navigation is never obstructed, is peculiarly adapted to the growth of timber, of which wood is the chief part. The surrounding forests abound in large quantities of both hard and soft wood, while the latter is very scarce. We have hickory and oaks of all varieties, fine gums, which make excellent furniture, elm, ash, poplar, beech, birch, maple, and cottonwood. The manufacture of this latter is wood is almost in its infancy. Until a very short time ago, but little wood was used to this class of timber here, but we now have in Hickman, a large saw-mill that runs the year round, which is driven and made into all kinds of boxes—crates, boxes, candy-boxes &c. Hickman has given up cotton-growing, and has turned to cottonwood, as the case when other wood is used. For this timber I can truly say, the Hickman County, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, and the whole Hickman, have an almost unlimited supply. It is of rapid growth and when cut down, it is easily distinguished from poplar, as the virtues of cottonwood have not long been known, and it is not generally used, Hickman offers unusual inducements for manufacturers, who are to be found in every town in the county. We have a great extent, unbroken land, and a fine factory, which is running steadily and employs about thirty hands; and in addition to the first, the Hickman Manufacturing Company, has a large number of employees, and is a great producer.

J. H. Saunders has called to explain the object of the association, and the president, Dr. Luke Blackburn, called the house to order and requested their published program as follows:

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**PULASKI COUNTY EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.**

The association convened at Elizabethtown school house, near Cuyahoga, Sept. 10th, 1887.

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**DEAD.**

**The Noble Old Hero,**

**DR. LUKE BLACKBURN,**

**Sleeps His Last Sleep.**

The noble hero, philanthropist and statesman, Dr. Luke Blackburn, died, in Frankfort, at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 29th, 1887.

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